

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 86

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Airman 1st Class
Christoffer P. Johnson, United States Air Force.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the untimely death of Airman 1st Class Christoffer P. Johnson, a courageous member of the United States Air Force who gave his life in service to our nation; and

WHEREAS, following in the patriotic tradition for which our nation's finest sons and daughters are renowned, Airman Johnson was a brave and honorable member of the 423rd Security Forces Squadron, stationed at Royal Air Force Alconbury, England; and

WHEREAS, Airman 1st Class Christoffer P. Johnson lost his life on February 17, 2011, while on security patrol at Al Udeid Air Base in Qatar; he was twenty years of age; and

WHEREAS, at the time of his death Airman Johnson had been in theater for approximately three weeks of a six-month rotation, having volunteered for deployment with the 379th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron in support of Operation New Dawn; and

WHEREAS, a 2008 graduate of Clarksville High School born on July 5, 1990, Christoffer P. Johnson was a beloved son and brother and is survived by his parents, Marcus and Julee Johnson, and his siblings, Katelyn and Seth Johnson; and

WHEREAS, Airman Johnson's dedication to excellence in the military and his love of family, his fellow soldiers, and his country are exemplified in his sacrifice of life itself in defense of all that he held dear and stand as enduring examples of all the characteristics that have ensured the continued freedom of our nation and the preservation of its ideals over the course of our history; and

WHEREAS, this valiant American leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the singular patriotism, courage, and commitment to duty of this exceptional soldier and human being, the late Airman 1st Class Christoffer P. Johnson, United States Air Force, whose loss is mourned by a grateful nation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Airman 1st Class Christoffer P. Johnson, a man of impeccable character and limitless courage who stalwartly committed himself to the defense of his nation as a member of the United States Air Force.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Airman Johnson.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.